

**ABSTRACT**

A system for authenticating individuals traveling to and from various destinations at various times. Personal identity and travel privilege verification are coordinated for several modes of transportation, including aircraft, boats, buses, cars and trains. Travel

5 privileges are considered to be the ability to leave the current location, travel to the desired location, travel at specific times, and use specific forms of transportation. The system specifically provides operator privilege verification, allowing individuals to receive vehicle operator privileges. These privileges are evaluated upon the individual's application, and are periodically updated at the discretion of the controlling institution.

10 The system provides for verification of vehicle operator privileges while the vehicle is in transit, and an apparatus for docking the secure authentication apparatus within the vehicle.